GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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OPENING OF CGHS DISPENSARIES IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have a proposal to open CGHS dispensaries in all the districts of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details and location thereof;

(c) by when the proposal is likely to be cleared; and

(d) the details of decision taken by the Government in regard to treatment availed by the CGHS beneficiaries during emergency from the recognized private hospitals in Maharashtra?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (c) The CGHS dispensaries are already functioning in the cities of Mumbai, Nagpur and Pune in the State of Maharashtra.

At present there is no proposal to open more CGHS dispensaries in Maharashtra State.

(d) CGHS beneficiaries (both serving and pensioners) have the option of availing general/specialized treatment and diagnostic procedure at private hospitals/diagnostic centres recognised under CGHS in various CGHS covered cities after obtaining the recommendation regarding line of treatment from the specialist of CGHS/Government Hospital/CMO In-charge of the dispensary and prior permission from the concerned office/Department in the case of serving employees and from the CMO In-charge of CGHS dispensaries in the case of pensioner beneficiaries.

However, during emergency, a CGHS beneficiary can take treatment in any recognised/unrecognised private hospital without obtaining any prior permission from the Government.